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DEVICE FOR REGENERATING AN ION EXCHANGE CARTRIDGE

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated JUNE 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 9 as follows:

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9. (Thrice Amended) A device for regenerating an ion exchange cartridge (16), which cartridge (16) is provided with an inlet (20) and an outlet (21), characterized in that the device is provided with a reservoir (2) for the accommodation of a solution (26) in which alkali metal ions and chloride ions are present, said reservoir (2) provided with an outlet (10) to which the inlet (20) of the cartridge (16) can be connected, a chamber (3), in which the cartridge (16) can be placed, provided in the device, said chamber (3) provided with an inlet (6) and an outlet (7), said inlet (6) of the chamber (3) being directly connected to the outlet (10) of the reservoir (2), said inlet (6) and said outlet (7) of the chamber (3) coupled to the inlet (20) and the outlet (21),